

**CITY OF MONROE  
RESOLUTION NO. 005/2019**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
MONROE, WASHINGTON, DECLARING THE EXISTENCE  
OF AN EMERGENCY RELATING TO A WATERMAIN  
BREAK ON TESTER ROAD; AND CERTIFYING THE  
MAYOR'S PROCLAMATION OF EMERGENCY

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WHEREAS, the City of Monroe watermain located in the vicinity of 17528 Tester Road broke in the early morning hours of February 12, 2019; and

WHEREAS, there is existence of extensive vegetative screening immediately above and extensive plants roots around the existing watermain; and

WHEREAS, this vegetation prevents the utilization of repair bands to repair the watermain break; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to relocate the watermain into the right-of-way of Tester Road; and

WHEREAS, the time necessary to comply with competitive bidding requirements will likely result in a material loss and damage to property.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MONROE, WASHINGTON, HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The recitals set forth above are incorporated herein in full by this reference.

Section 2. Unforeseen circumstances beyond the control of the City of Monroe exist which presented a real and imminent threat to the proper performance of essential function and are likely to result in a material loss or damage to property if immediate action was not taken; therefore, the City Council of the City of Monroe confirms the Mayor's proclamation of emergency, Exhibit A, and certifies that an emergency exists.

Section 3. In order to address and resolve the emergency situation, City of Monroe staff is hereby authorized to obtain and award all necessary contracts on behalf of the City of Monroe without regard to time consuming procedures and formalities prescribed by law (excepting mandatory constitutional requirements).

Section 4. Effective Date. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage.

ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Monroe, at its regular meeting thereof,  
and APPROVED by the Mayor this 21<sup>st</sup> day of February, 2019.

Adopted: February 26, 2015  
Effective: February 26, 2015

CITY OF MONROE, WASHINGTON:

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Geoffrey Thomas, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Elizabeth M. Adkisson, MMC, City Clerk



## Proclamation of Emergency

**WHEREAS**, the unprecedented recent snowfall experienced in the Monroe area led to the shifting of an overburdened tree; and,

**WHEREAS**, the roots of this tree were wrapped around a six inch asbestos cement watermain; and,

**WHEREAS**, the shifting of the roots caused the watermain to fail; and,

**WHEREAS**, the existing watermain is located in an easement on private property under a row of trees and other vegetation; and,

**WHEREAS**, the property owner does not wish to have addition vegetation removed in order to complete repairs; and,

**WHEREAS**, a temporary two inch watermain has been place above ground to serve approximately 30 customers located beyond the break; and,

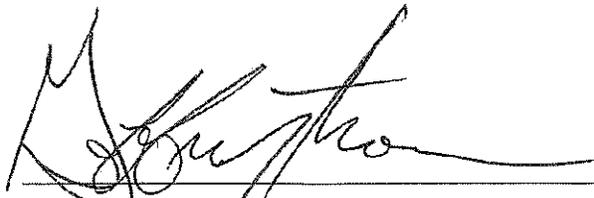
**WHEREAS**, the relocation of the watermain to an area away from the vegetation requires additional assistance and resources; and,

**WHEREAS**, following time consuming procedures and formalities will unacceptably delay restoration of full water service and fire flow,

**NOW THEREFORE**, I Geoffrey Thomas, in order to expedite the necessary repairs to the Monroe Water System that a State of Emergency exists within the City of Monroe.

Designated departments are authorized under RCW 38.52.070(2) to enter into contracts and incur obligations necessary to combat such an emergency. Each designated department is authorized to exercise powers in light of demands of the emergency situation without regard to time consuming procedures and formalities prescribed by law (excepting mandatory constitutional requirements).

DATED this 20<sup>th</sup> day of February 2019.

  
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Geoffrey Thomas, Mayor

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